

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION

DIVISION OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL 401 CHURCH STREET 7th FLOOR L & C ANNEX NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-1534

Greg Kenney
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Houston, TX 77056

Subject: Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit NRS 10.063.

Dear Mr. Kenney:

We have reviewed your application for the proposed stream alterations. Pursuant to the *Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977* (T. C. A. § 69-3-101 et seq.) and supporting regulations, the Division of Water Pollution Control is required to determine whether the activity proposed will violate applicable water quality standards.

Subject to conformance with accepted plans, specifications and other information submitted in support of application NRS 10.063, the state of Tennessee hereby issues an aquatic resources alteration permit (enclosed). Failure to comply with the terms of this permit or other violations of the *Tennessee Water Control Act of 1977* is subject to penalty in accordance with T.C.A. § 69-3-115.

It is the responsibility of the permittee to ensure that all contractors involved with this project have read and understood the permit conditions before the project begins. If you need any additional information or clarification, please contact Brian Canada at 615-532-0660 or by e-mail at brian.canada@state.tn.us.

Sincerely,

Brian Canada,

Natural Resources Section

Cc: Johnson City Environmental Field Office

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District

TVA file copy



NRS10.063

Pursuant to §401 of *The Federal Clean Water Act* (33 U.S.C. 1341), the State of Tennessee is required to certify whether the activity described below will violate applicable water quality standards. Accordingly, the Division of Water Pollution Control requires reasonable assurance that the activity will not violate provisions of *The Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977* (T.C.A. §69-3-101 et seq.) or provisions of §§301, 302, 303, 306 or 307 of *The Clean Water Act*.

Subject to conformance with accepted plans, specifications and other information submitted in support of the application, pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1341 the State of Tennessee hereby certifies the activity described below. This shall serve as authorization under T.C.A. §69-3-101 et seq.

PERMITTEE

East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC.

AUTHORIZED WORK:

Gas Pipeline upgrades and installation from NE of Bristol, VA to the

John Sevier Combined Cycle Plant (TVA)

LOCATION: from NE of Bristol, VA to the John Sevier Combined Cycle Plant (TVA), Sullivan, Hawkins, Greene Counties (lat36.2755/long82.9128 – start of mainline extension)

EFFECTIVE DATE:

August 6, 2010

EXPIRATION DATE:

August 5, 2015

Paul E. Davis, P.E. Director, Division of Water Pollution Control

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PART I

Special Conditions:

- a. Construct 27.9 miles of 24" diameter natural gas pipeline from Bristol, VA to the John Sevier Combined Cycle Plant (TVA). Crossings of streams are detailed below:
- b. **JS MAINLINE EXTENSION: GREENE COUNTY:** MP0.31 Trib3 Puncheon Camp Creek, MP0.36 Trib6 Puncheon Camp Creek, MP0.41 Puncheon Camp Creek 1, MP1.07 Trib9 Puncheon Camp Creek, MP1.40 Puncheon Camp Creek 2, MP1.83 Puncheon Camp Creek 3, MP 2.60 Puncheon Camp Creek 4, MP2.67 Trib1 Puncheon Camp Creek, MP2.94 Trib2 Puncheon Camp Creek, MP3.68 Trib1 Gap Creek, MP3.95 Gap Creek, MP4.08 Trib2 Gap Creek, MP4.57 Trib5 Gap Creek, MP4.57 Trib5 Gap Creek, MP4.57 Trib1 Dodson Creek,
- c. **HAWKINS COUNTY**: MP5.19 Trib2 Dodson Creek, MP5.48 Trib3 Dodson Creek, MP5.48 Trib3 Dodson Creek, MP6.61 Trib5 Dodson Creek, MP6.78 Trib8 Dodson Creek, MP6.82 Dodson Creek, MP7.51 Trib9 Dodson Creek, MP8.02 Trib4 Polly Branch, MP8.03 Trib3 Polly Branch, MP8.30 Trib1 Polly Branch, MP8.43 Unnamed Tributary,
- d. (FLATWOODS LOOP) GREENE COUNTY: MP0.51 Trib3 Lick Creek,
- e. **WASHINGTON COUNTY:** MP1.00 Trib1 Fall Branch, MP1.60 Trib6 Fall Branch, MP2.02 Trib7 Fall Branch, MP3.35 Unnamed Tributary, MP 4.73 Trib3 Kendrick Creek, MP4.95 Trib5 Kendrick Creek, MP5.49 Kendrick Creek 1, MP5.78 Kendrick Creek 2, MP5.98 Kendrick Creek 3, MP6.01 Trib2 Kendrick Creek,
- f. SULLIVAN COUNTY: MP6.81 Trib8 Kendrick Creek, MP7.44 Trib7 Kendrick Creek.
- g. **FORDTOWN RELAY:** MP1.18 Unnamed tributary.

General Conditions:

- a. It is the responsibility of the applicant to convey all terms and conditions of this permit to all contractors. A copy of this permit, approved plans and any other documentation pertinent to the activities authorized by this permit shall be maintained on site at all times during periods of construction activity.
- b. Work shall not commence until the applicant has received the federal §404 permit from the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, a §26a permit from the Tennessee Valley Authority or authorization under a Tennessee NPDES Storm Water Construction Permit where necessary. The applicant is responsible for obtaining these permits.

- c. The work shall be accomplished in conformance with the accepted plans, specifications, data and other information submitted in support of application NRS10.063 and the limitations, requirements and conditions set forth herein.
- d. All work shall be carried out in such a manner as will prevent violations of water quality criteria as stated in Rule 1200-4-3-.03 of the Rules of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. This includes, but is not limited to, the prevention of any discharge that causes a condition in which visible solids, bottom deposits, or turbidity impairs the usefulness of waters of the state for any of the uses designated by Rule 1200-4-4. These uses include fish and aquatic life (including trout streams and naturally reproducing trout streams), livestock watering and wildlife, recreation, irrigation, industrial water supply, domestic water supply, and navigation.
- e. Impacts to waters of the state other than those specifically addressed in the plans and this permit are prohibited. All streams, springs and wetlands shall be fully protected prior, during and after construction until the area is stabilized. Any questions, problems or concerns that arise regarding any stream, spring or wetland either before or during construction, shall be addressed to the Division of Water Pollution Control's Johnson City Environmental Field Office (423-854-5447), or the permit coordinator in the division's Natural Resources Section (615-532-0660).
- f. Adverse impact to formally listed state or federal threatened or endangered species or their critical habitat is prohibited.
- g. This permit does not authorize adverse impacts to cultural, historical or archeological features or sites.

PART II

Records Retention

All records and information resulting from the monitoring activities required by this permit including all records of analyses performed and calibration and maintenance of instrumentation shall be retained for a minimum of five (5) years, or longer, if requested by the Division of Water Pollution Control.

Falsifying Results and/or Reports

Knowingly making any false statement on any report required by this permit or falsifying any result may result in the imposition of criminal penalties as provided for in Section 309 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, and in Section 69-3-115 of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act.

PART III

Duty to Reapply

Permittee is not authorized to discharge after the expiration date of this permit. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the expiration date, the permittee shall submit such information and forms as are required to the Director of Water Pollution Control. Such applications must be properly signed and certified.

Property Rights

The issuance of this permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property, or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of Federal, State, or local laws or regulations.

Other Information

If the permittee becomes aware that he/she failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or in any report to the Director, then he/she shall promptly submit such facts or information.

Changes Affecting the Permit

Transfer/Change of Ownership

- a. This permit may be transferred to another party, provided there are no activity or project modifications, no pending enforcement actions, or any other changes which might affect the permit conditions contained in the permit, by the permittee if:
- b. The permittee notifies the Director of the proposed transfer at least 30 days in advance of the proposed transfer date;
- c. The notice includes a written agreement between the existing and new permittees containing a specified date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and contractual liability between them; and
- d. The Director does not notify the current permittee and the new permittee, within 30 days, of his intent to modify, revoke, reissue, or terminate the permit, or require that a new application be filed rather than agreeing to the transfer of the permit.
- e. The permittee must provide the following information to the division in their formal notice of intent to transfer ownership:
 - 1. the permit number of the subject permit;
 - 2. the effective date of the proposed transfer;
 - 3. the name and address of the transferor;
 - 4. the name and address of the transferee;

- 5. the names of the responsible parties for both the transferor and transferee;
- 6. a statement that the transferee assumes responsibility for the subject permit;
- 7. a statement that the transferor relinquishes responsibility for the subject permit;
- 8. the signatures of the responsible parties for both the transferor and transferee, and;
- 9. a statement regarding any proposed modifications to the permitted activities or project, its operations, or any other changes which might affect the permit conditions contained in the permit.

Change of Mailing Address

The permittee shall promptly provide to the Director written notice of any change of mailing address. In the absence of such notice the original address of the permittee will be assumed to be correct.

Noncompliance

Effect of Noncompliance

All discharges shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of applicable State and Federal laws and is grounds for enforcement action, permit termination, permit modification, or denial of permit reissuance.

Reporting of Noncompliance

24-Hour Reporting

- a. In the case of any noncompliance which could cause a threat to public drinking supplies, or any other discharge which could constitute a threat to human health or the environment, the required notice of non-compliance shall be provided to the Division of Water Pollution Control in the appropriate Environmental Field Office within 24-hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. (The Environmental Field Office should be contacted for names and phone numbers of environmental response personnel).
- b. A written submission must be provided within five (5) days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances unless this requirement is waived by the Director on a case-by-case basis. The permittee shall provide the Director with the following information:
 - 1. A description of the discharge and cause of noncompliance;
 - 2. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue; and
 - 3. The steps being taken to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the non-complying discharge.

Scheduled Reporting

For instances of noncompliance which are not reported under subparagraph a. above, the permittee shall report the noncompliance by contacting the permit coordinator, and provide all information concerning the steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the violation and the anticipated time the violation is expected to continue.

Adverse Impact

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize any adverse impact to the waters of Tennessee resulting from noncompliance with this permit, including but not limited to, accelerated or additional monitoring as necessary to determine the nature and impact of the noncompliance. It shall not be a defense for the permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

Liabilities

Civil and Criminal Liability

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil or criminal penalties for noncompliance. Notwithstanding this permit, the permittee shall remain liable for any damages sustained by the State of Tennessee, including but not limited to fish kills and losses of aquatic life and/or wildlife, as a result of the discharge of pollutants to any surface or subsurface waters. Additionally, notwithstanding this Permit, it shall be the responsibility of the permittee to conduct its discharge activities in a manner such that public or private nuisances or health hazards will not be created.

Liability under State Law

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any applicable State law or the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended.

This permit does not preclude requirements of other federal, state or local laws. This permit also serves as a State of Tennessee Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit (ARAP) pursuant to the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977 (T.C.A. §69-3-101 et seq.).

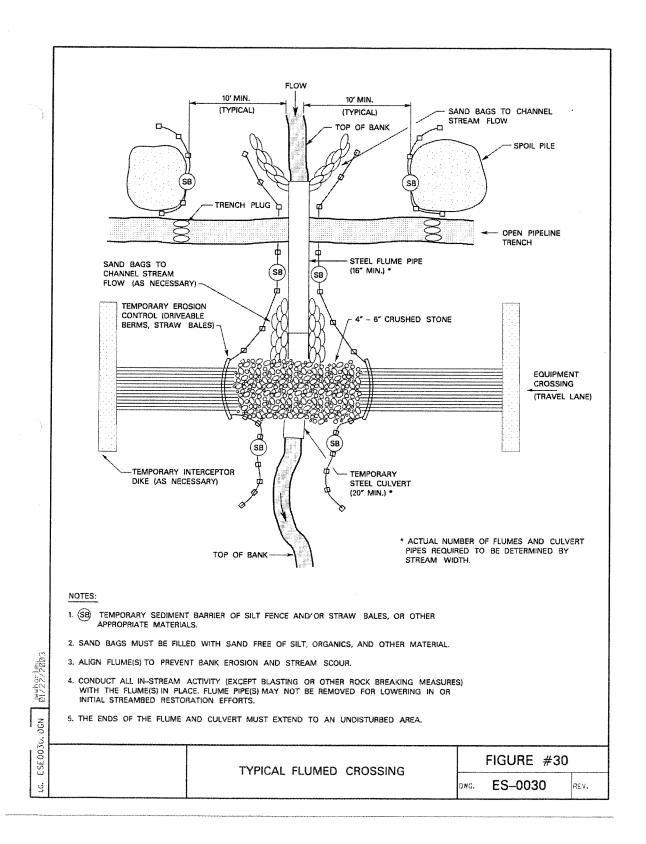
The State of Tennessee may modify, suspend or revoke this permit or seek modification or revocation should the state determine that the activity results in more than an insignificant violation of applicable water quality standards or violation of the act. Failure to comply with permit terms may result in penalty in accordance with T.C.A. §69-3-115.

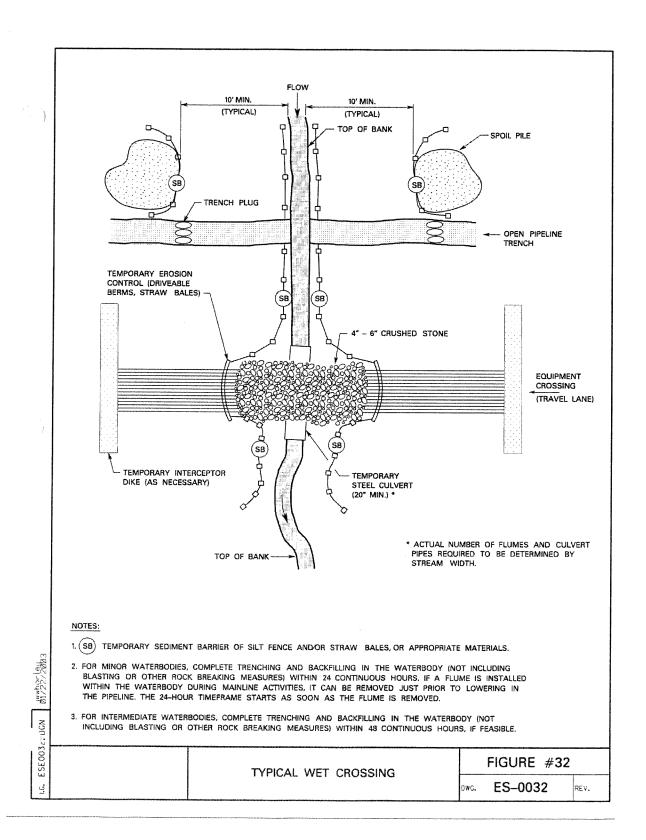
An appeal of this action may be made to the Water Quality Control Board. In order to appeal, a petition requesting a hearing before the Board must be filed within THIRTY (30) DAYS after

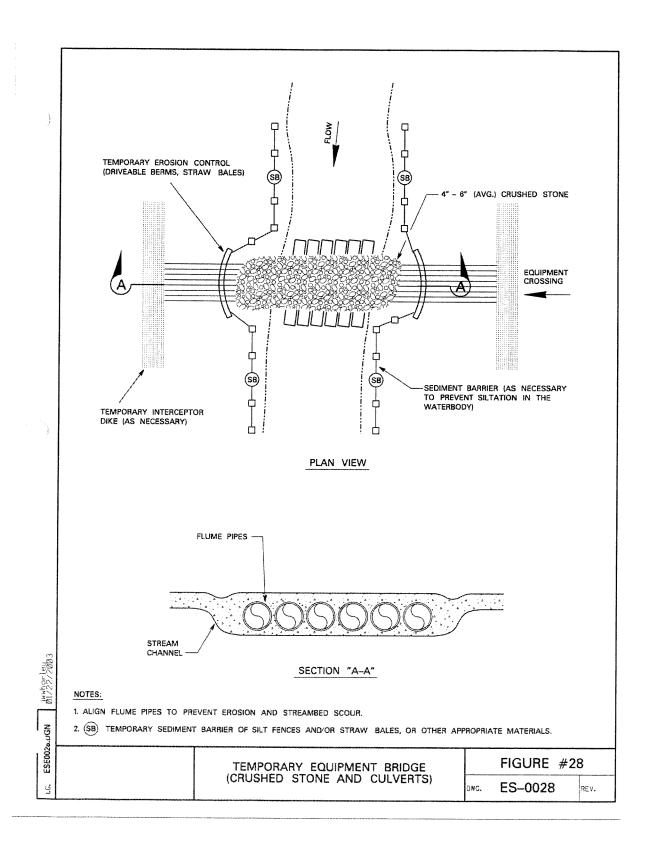
receipt of the permit. In such petition, each contention should be stated in numbered paragraphs that describe how the proposed activity would be lawful and the action of the state is inappropriate. The petition must be prepared on 8½" x 11" paper, addressed to the Water Quality Control Board and filed in duplicate at the following address: Paul E. Davis, Director, Division of Water Pollution Control, 6th Floor L & C Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1534. Any hearing would be in accordance with T.C.A. §§69-3-110 and 4-5-301 et seq.

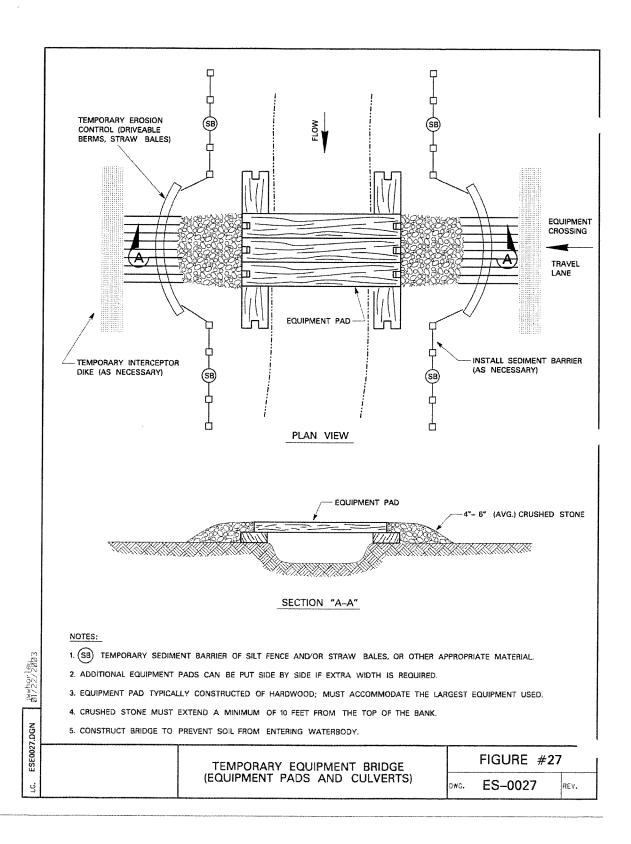
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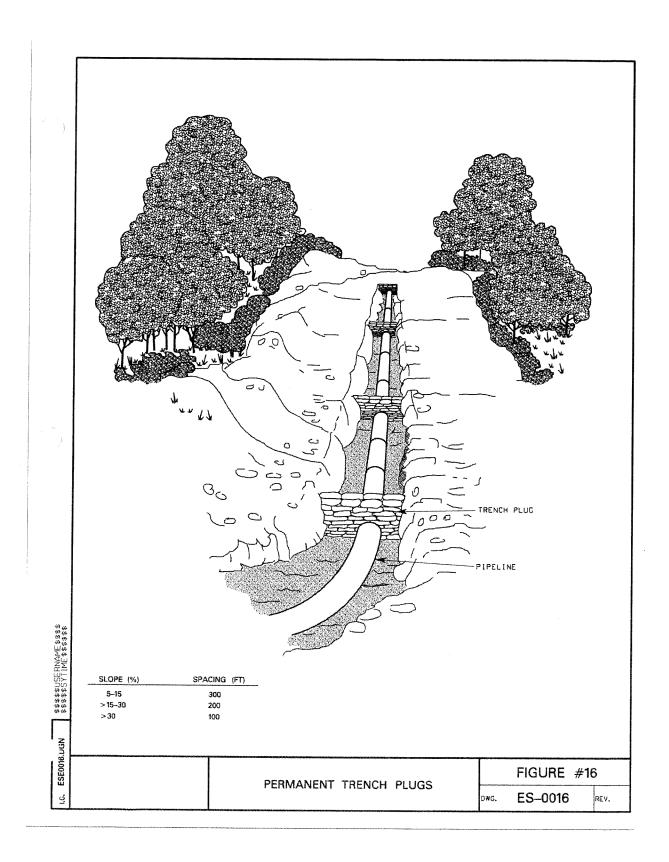
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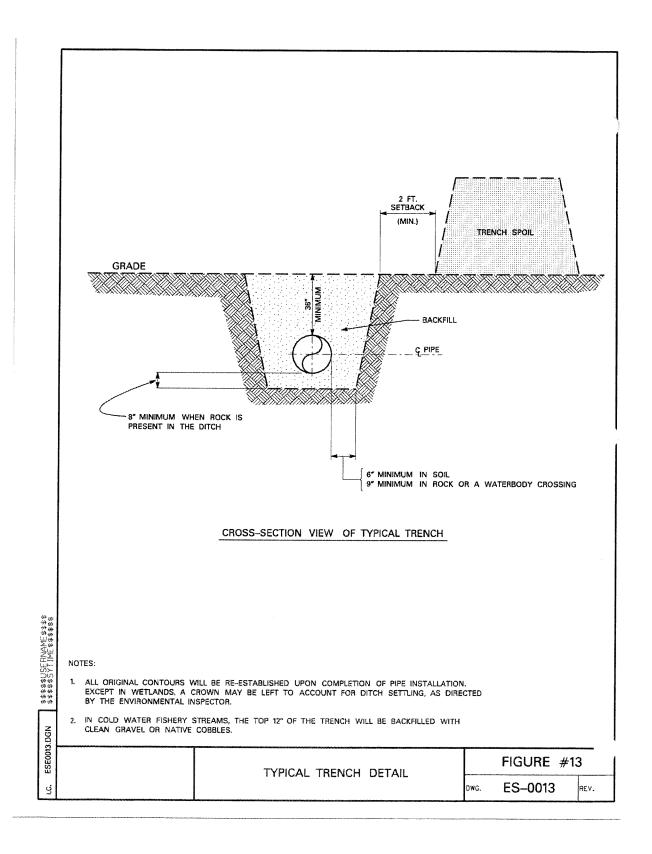


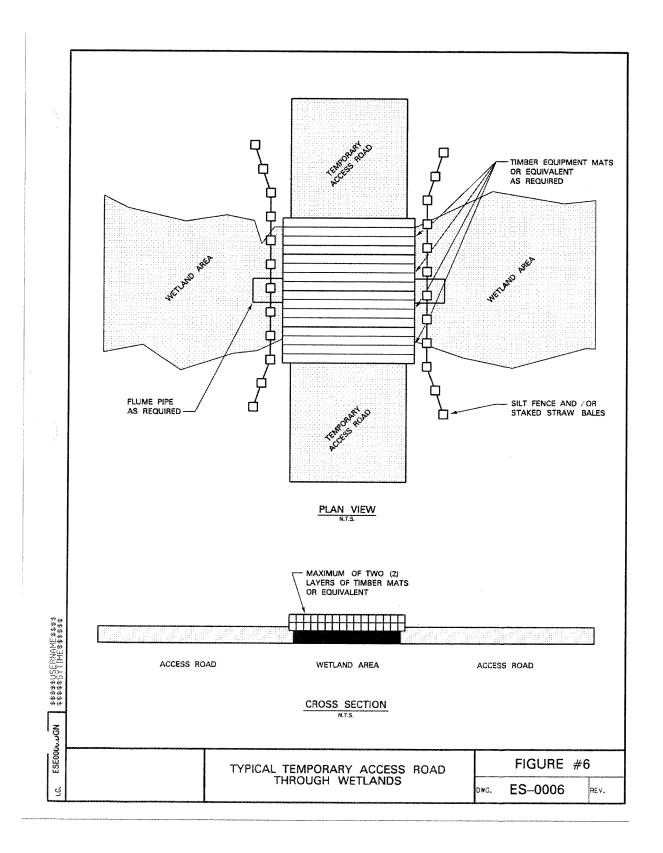


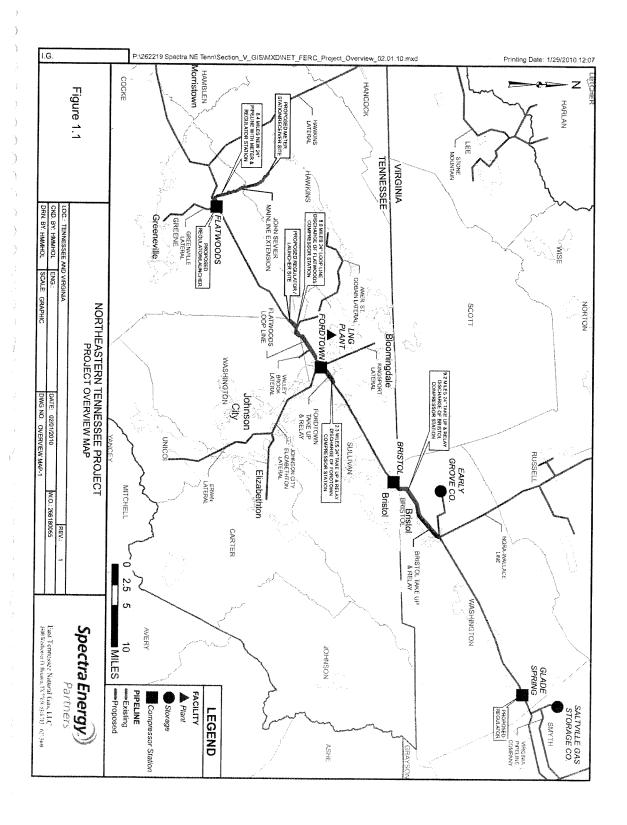












NOTES:

- 1. EROSION CONTROL MATTING SHALL BE PLACE ON THE BANKS OF FLOWING STREAMS WHERE VEGETATION HAS BEEN REMOVED OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTOR.
- EROSION CONTROL MATTING SHALL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE PLAN AND/OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTOR.
- 3. STAPLES SHALL BE MADE OF 11 GAUGE WIRE, U-SHAPED WITH 6" LEGS AND A 1" CROWN. STAPLES SHALL BE DRIVEN INTO THE GROUND FOR THE FULL LENGTH OF THE STAPLE LEGS. ALTERNATELY 1" WOODEN PEGS 6" LONG AND BEVELED TO SECURE MATTING.
- 4. MATTING SHALL BE INSTALLED ACCORDING TO MANUFACTURER SPECIFICATIONS OR AS STATED BELOW:
 - EXTEND TOP OF BLANKET 2 FEET PAST THE UPPER EDGE OF THE HIGH WATER MARK. IF AN INTERCEPTOR DIKE IS PRESENT ON THE APPROACH SLOPE, BEGIN THE BLANKET ON THE UPHILL SIDE OF THE INTERCEPTOR DIKE.
 - . INSTALL BLANKET(S) ACROSS THE SLOPE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE WATER FLOW.
 - ANCHOR ("KEY") THE UPSTREAM EDGE OF THE BLANKET(S) INTO THE SLOPE USING A 6" DEEP TRENCH. DOUBLE STAPLE EVERY 12" BEFORE BACKFILLING AND COMPACTING TRENCH
 - ANCHOR (KEY") THE UPPER EDGE OF THE BLANKET INTO THE SLOPE USING A 6" DEEP TRENCH. DOUBLE STAPLE EVERY 12" BEFORE BACKFILLING AND COMPACTING TRENCH.
 - OVERLAP THE EDGES OF PARALLEL BLANKETS A MINIMUM OF 6". PLACE THE UPPER BLANKET OVER THE LOWER BLANKET (SHINGLE STYLE) AND STAPLE EVERY 12" ALONG THE LENGTH OF THE EDGE.
 - WHEN BLANKET ENDS ARE ADJOINED, PLACE THE UPSTREAM BLANKET OVER THE DOWNSTREAM BLANKET (SHINGLE STYLE) WITH APPROXIMATELY 6" OF OVERLAP AND STAPLE THROUGH THE OVERLAPPED AREA EVERY 12".
 - STAPLE DOWN THE CENTER OF THE BLANKET(S), THREE STAPLES IN EVERY SQUARE YARD.
- 5. IN LIVESTOCK AREAS WHERE EROSION CONTROL MATTING IS APPLIED TO THE STREAMBANKS, FENCING WILL BE USED IF NECESSARY TO EXCLUDE LIVESTOCK, WITH PERMISSION OF THE LANDOWNER.
- 6. MONITOR WASHOUTS, STAPLE INTEGRITY OR MAT MOVEMENT. REPLACE OR REPAIR AS NECESSARY.

TYPICAL MATTING OF STREAMBANKS

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